

Appl. No. 10/002,080
Response dated September 7, 2004
Reply to Office action of May 5, 2004



PATENT
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Applicant : Kevin S. Stein et al
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Title : Soft Contact Roll For A
Single Facer

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Examiner : Gladys J. Piazza Corcoran

Docket No. : 4470-00613

RESPONSE

Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 5, 2004 and includes a request for a one month extension of time, extending the period for response to September 5, 2004.

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 and 13 are pending in this application. Claims 1-6, 10, 11 and 13 have been rejected. Claims 7-9 are objected to.

Each of claims 1-6, 10, 11 and 13 stands rejected under 35 USC §102(e) or 35 USC §103(a) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,602,375 (Marschke '375) or U.S. Publication No. 2003/0075263 (Marschke '263) or obvious in view of Marschke '375 or Marschke '263 in combination with other cited prior art.

The Rule 131 Declaration filed with applicants' prior response was found to be ineffective to overcome the Marschke '325 or '263 references. The Examiner found that the prior Declaration did not completely set forth the requisite means and their interaction to